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When Mr. J. R. Anderson, Deputy Minister of Agriculture, was here a week ago he said that in order to make a success of agriculture in this valley that some plan would have to be devised for irrigation on an extensive scale, as the numerous high flats could not be irrigated by private individuals, owing to the amount of capital it would require. He said that this enterprise would necessarily have to be accomplished by the Government and could not be intelligently discussed until surveys had been made. In view of what Mr. Anderson has said the following from the Victoria Colonist will be read with interest:

Doubtless it has never entered the minds of the Dominion authorities to consider the arid lands of British Columbia in connection with the enterprises that are in view in the Northwest. If we suggested it we would at once be met with the statement that our lands are within the jurisdiction of a Provincial Government that has full powers to deal with them after the methods of the United States. As, however, the example of the United States Government has led to what is in contemplation in the Northwest, there are at least grounds on that score to urge the careful consideration at Ottawa of the conditions which exist here as well. There were certain grave objections at first raised in the U.S. against the Federal Government embarking upon irrigation enterprises in several states and territories of the Union. It was proposed that the work should be carried out by the United States Geological Survey, and W. E. Smythe, who in articles in the Century and elsewhere tended to greatly popularize the idea in the public mind, in the Review of Reviews for July points out that the forebodings as to the results of Federal enterprise have so far not been realized.

What we wish to particularly draw attention to is the fact that in entering upon these irrigation schemes in the arid states, or in the states with arid lands, the U. S. Government did so as a matter of general benefit and without reference to any scheme of reimbursement other than the indirect revenues which would flow from development and the bringing into cultivation of large areas of otherwise barren land. They did it on the same principle that induces governments to develop the fisheries of a country. Canada, for instance, spends a large amount of money annually on fishery development without any reference to a direct revenue from the fisheries, a fact that has been referred to several times in the Colonist in discussing fishery matters. In the same way Canada spends a large sum of money on railways and canals, which may be wholly or in part within one of the provinces.

The Toronto Globe, on the authority of Mr. Smythe, states that there are thirteen states and three territories embraced within the climatic influences that produce arid lands, and the problem of reclamation has been considered with reference to them all. Works have already been begun, or are planned, in seven states and one territory, and it is expected that the Idaho lands will be ready for the settler next spring. At the present moment we can think of no constitutional limitation that would prevent the Dominion of Canada undertaking large and comprehensive irrigation schemes in B. C.

This Province, with the responsibilities it has to assume in connection with the ordinary very expensive character of its administration, is not in a position, financially, to undertake such schemes at the present time. The Dominion Government, having in view the rights for special consideration which have so fully been represented at Ottawa, might well consider the advisability of irrigating our arid lands. There are difficulties in the way of private lands which would be included, but these could, we imagine, be overcome by arrangement with the owners and the Provincial Government. The direct benefit to the Dominion treasury as the outcome of increased development would repay for the outlay. For the purposes of fruit growing in particular, the lands within the dry belt are especially adapted and the industry in this Province would be enabled thereby to grow to immense proportions.

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Mine	Tons.
Paradise.....	1,690.1
• " In transit.....	200
Delphine.....	130.8
• " In transit.....	
*Parrigan Mines.....	105
• " In transit.....	
*Swansea.....	2
White Cat.....	1
Silver Bell.....	14
M. T. Fraction.....	34
*Bunya.....	1
.....	2,546.9
*Estimated.	

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Located August 2nd, 1904.

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per R. S. GALLUP, Agent.

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